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Alaskans Claim Bad Weather Due to "Cold" Russian War

Here is the real truth behind the vile storms reaching you folks lately: All bad weather originates in Siberia and is wafted across the Bering Sea to Alaska and the United States by Russia Communists. We folks up here are getting tired of taking the blame when it really belongs to Russia. Take it up with the State Dept.!

And while we're on the subject of weather I might as well tell you that it is rather on the cool side up here now—last night our thermometer registered minus forty-two, which is the lowest it has fallen out here since we came. Of course it was colder in town, -48 last night. And the weather man says no relief in sight as there is a huge high-pressure system over Siberia and moving eastward (more Russian "cold" war tactics).

We haven't purchased snowshoes or skis yet as we haven't really needed them. What little we go out away from the road we pack trails down so we can just wear our house slippers or mukluks. Our house is only about 150 feet off the road, which is kept clear except right in the midst of a snowstorm. Cars don't even use tire chains, though they carry them with them in case they should slip off into a snow bank.

Each Sunday one of the radio stations has a round-table discussion conducted by representatives of the University of Alaska Extension Service, the Commissioner of Agriculture and farmers of the Tanana Valley. Several weeks ago a listener telephoned in the following question: Since there are only six full-time farmers in the Tanana valley and only three of them are what might be called solvent, why is it necessary to have thirty men employed by the government to tell those six farmers what to do?

The answer was given with typical "democratic" frankness, with many "ahem and harrumphs": "It is hoped, ahem, a-h, that there will soon, ah-h, be more farmers. Some of the thirty are not, harrumph, directly employed by the government, ah-h-h, but by the Veterans Committee," etc., etc. For myself, I fail to see any difference, but then I am only a Republican and therefore cannot be expected to understand the convolutions of the Democratic minds.

February 14, 1950

When I read the letters telling about the cold weather and snow you people had the first of the month it really caused a chuckle, as at that time when we got the letters this a.m., our own temperature was 44 and I had just finished telling Bryan to open the door for awhile—it was too warm in here!



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There are lots of advantages in such cold weather, seems nature has a way of compensation. Whenever I mix up biscuits or muffins I bake enough for several meals. The extra ones I put in a paper sack and place in my outdoors cupboard. They soon freeze and whenever I want them they quickly thaw out in a hot oven and are as fresh as ever. The same applies to cakes and bread. For a change from home baked bread I buy eight or ten loaves of bread on a trip to town, freeze them and have fresh bread on hand always.

I don't remember if I told you before of one problem in connection with melting snow for water—the ease with which snow can be burnt, thus giving the water a burnt taste? It took me quite a while to discover why sometimes the water had such an odd taste. I had heard the old saying: can't boil water without burning it, but up here that isn't too remarkable. Now I always place a little water in the tub before adding the snow to prevent scorching.

There is another oddity connected with the extreme cold which I only know of by hearsay. I was warned that in wintertime up here you could see the cold every time a door is opened. A dense white fog would come swirling into the room about waist high. Of course that must be in the poorer constructed houses as it has never happened here in our house and Johnny says he doesn't have the cold fog either. But friends of ours from Fairbanks seemed very surprised when we told them about not seeing the cold. So it must be rather prevalent.

Pearson Is Candidate For Governor's Job

SALEM, Feb. 23—Walter J. Pearson, State Treasurer and former member of the Legislature, today announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for governor in the primary election May 19.

He said he was entering the race in response to urgings by members of both major parties, who realize Oregon voters want a change in their state government.

Pearson, first Democrat to be elected state treasurer since 1886, pledged himself to seek the end of a quarter century of "one-party control whose leadership has been dictated by ultra-conservatives and special interests."

Pearson was elected to the House of Representatives from Multnomah County in 1943 and served in the Senate in 1945 and 1947 before being elected state treasurer.

He has consistently supported old-age pensions, labor, the working farmer and small business. He has steadily opposed the sales tax and urged tightening of our present tax laws before adopting any new taxes.

He declared his intent to "return to the people of Oregon the government of their state. My years of experience as a Legislator, State Treasurer and member of the State Board of Control have convinced me of the urgent necessity to act now in behalf of all the people," he continued.

Pearson expressed hope many Democrats would seek nomination to all offices so voters may select "the nominees they believe can best lead the fight."

He said his decision to be a candidate was also based on his belief that "Democrats from all walks of life throughout the State want a nominee who has always believed in the Democratic platform and adhered to the principles of the party."

SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the legal school voters of School District No. 6 of Jackson County, State of Oregon, that a SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING of said school district has been called and will be held at The Gymnasium Building of the High School in the city of Central Point within said school district on the sixth day of March, 1950, from 7 o'clock P.M. until 9 o'clock P.M., for the following purpose:

To vote upon the question of the consolidation of the following named school districts:
Consolidated School District No. 6
Tolo School District No. 98
Dated at Medford, Oregon, this 15th day of February, 1950.
Jackson County District Boundary Board
By J. B. Coleman, County Judge, Chairman
R. R. Lytle, County Commissioner
L. R. (Shy) Morthland, County Commissioner
C. R. Bowman, County School Supt., Secretary
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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON, PROBATE DEPARTMENT.

In the Matter of the Estate of Samuel C. Collins, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned has filed her Final Account as executrix of the above estate with the Circuit Court of said County, and the Court has fixed the 3rd day of March, 1950, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., of said day and the Circuit Judge's office in the County Courthouse in Medford, Oregon, as the time and place respectively for the hearing of objections, if any there be, to the said Final Account, and you are hereby notified to file objections, if any you have, to the said Final Account on or before the time fixed for hearing.

Dated and first published this 2nd day of February, 1950.

Clara L. Vincent, Executrix

27—Feb. 2, 9, 16 and 23

NOTICE OF STREET VACATION

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the City of Central Point did, on the 6th day of February, 1950, by Ordinance, initiate proceedings to vacate a portion of Front Street in the City of Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon, described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the

westerly line of Lot 4, in Block 19, in the City of Central Point, Oregon, according to the official Plat thereof now of record, which point is South 35° 23' East 3.8 feet from the north-west corner of said Lot; thence South 54° 37' West 17.60 feet; thence South 35° 23' East 41.0 feet; thence South 11° 02' East 47.60 feet; thence South 26° 39' East 53.57 feet; thence North 69° 29' East 46.92 feet to the westerly line of said Block No. 19; thence along said line North 35° 23' West 159.35 feet to the point of beginning,

and did provide for a public hearing to be held at the hour of 7:30 o'clock P.M., on the 3rd day of April, 1950, at the Council Chamber in the City Hall in the City of Central Point for the purpose of considering the vacation of and adoption of an Ordinance vacating a portion of Front Street above described and for the further purpose of hearing and considering any objection or

remonstrance thereto which may be made in writing and filed with the Recorder of the City of Central Point prior to the time of said hearing.

By order of the Council of the City of Central Point, Oregon.

Arden R. Pinkham, Recorder

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